

CLAIM AMENDMENTS:

1. (currently amended) A connector, comprising:

a first housing ~~(20)~~ with a terminal-accommodating portion ~~(21)~~ for accommodating at least one terminal fitting ~~(29)~~ and having different vertical and horizontal dimensions, and at least one lock ~~(31)~~ on a shorter outer surface ~~(21D; 21E)~~ of the terminal-accommodating portion ~~(21)~~, and

a second housing ~~(10)~~ including a receptacle ~~(12)~~ for receiving the terminal-accommodating portion ~~(21)~~, at least one mating terminal fitting ~~(14)~~ connectable with the terminal fitting ~~(29)~~, and an engaging portion ~~(40)~~ engageable with the lock ~~(31)~~ when the terminal-accommodating portion ~~(21)~~ is fit into the receptacle ~~(12)~~, wherein:

at least one connection guide ~~(50)~~ is formed on an inner surface of the receptacle ~~(12)~~ of the second housing ~~(10)~~ and extends in a fitting direction ~~(GD)~~ of the terminal-accommodating portion ~~(21)~~, and

at least one guidable portion ~~(70)~~ is formed on an outer surface of the terminal accommodating portion ~~(21)~~ of the first housing ~~(20)~~ and disposed for sliding contact with the connection guide ~~(50)~~ when the terminal-accommodating portion ~~(21)~~ is fit into the receptacle ~~(12)~~, and

at least one rib projects on a shorter surface of the terminal-accommodating portion opposite from the shorter surface that has the lock, the rib having a front end configured and disposed to interfere with an opening edge of the receptacle to prevent a front end of the terminal-accommodating portion from contacting a leading end portion of the mating terminal fitting in the receptacle.

2. (currently amended) The connector of claim 1, wherein the mating terminal fittings ~~(14)~~ are arranged so that leading ends thereof project into the receptacle ~~(12)~~.

3. (currently amended) The connector of claim 1, wherein the first housing ~~(20)~~ can be pushed into the second housing ~~(10)~~ while the lock ~~(31)~~ moves onto the engaging portion ~~(40)~~, and reaches a connection position by an inertial force when the terminal-accommodating portion ~~(21)~~ is pushed a specified distance.

4. (currently amended) The connector of claim 1, wherein the first housing ~~(20)~~ is locked with the second housing ~~(10)~~ by engagement of the lock ~~(31)~~ with a rear surface of the engaging portion ~~(40)~~.

5. (canceled).

6. (currently amended) The connector of claim ~~5~~ 1, wherein the at least one guidable portion ~~(70)~~ is formed on at least one longer surface ~~(21B; 21C)~~ of the terminal-accommodating portion ~~(21)~~.

7. (currently amended) The connector of claim 6, wherein leading ends of the at least one rib ~~(60)~~ and the at least one guidable portion ~~(70)~~ are disposed so that the rib ~~(60)~~ and the guidable portion ~~(70)~~ engage with a corresponding engaging groove ~~(51)~~ and a corresponding connection guide ~~(50)~~ before the lock ~~(31)~~ contacts the engaging portion ~~(40)~~ in a connecting process.